**PATCHETTS GREEN RESIDENT ASSOCIATION**

**Action Points From Meeting 18 April 2024**

**Held at: 72 Hilfield Lane**

Those Present: Malcolm Sevren (in the Chair), Cllr Carl Woolf, Bonnie Shaw, Jonathan Morris,

Apologies: David Baldwin, Michelle Hart, Paul Kemble

| **No.** | **ITEM** | **ACTION** |
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| 1 |  | **Minutes of Last Meeting** |  |
|  | 1.1 | Amendment to Item 16b correcting it was not the road sign, but the Patchetts Green sign that required cleaning. | Noted |
|  | 1.2 | Communication, Item 3: Leaflet produced and circulated. PGRA website up and running. WhatsApp group to be set up and to use that and the notice board and website as primary communication with residents. |  |
|  | 1.3 | Fly Tipping, Item 6: There is not much hope that anything proactive will happen to prevent fly tipping. All we can do is try and chase up the relevant party responsible for clearing it away when it happens. The problem is compounded when on private property (which includes many of the hedgerows/grass verges alongside the road) because neither we nor the Council have any right to enforce the landowner to pay for its removal. |  |
|  | 1.4 | Local Security Measures, Item 12: Quotes obtained from LSS Street Patrol (attached to the E Mail with these Action points). A 12 hour shift would cost £6,660 per 30 days (more if Bank Holiday working was required). |  |
|  | 1.5 | Other Items covered in Carl’s update below. |  |
|  | 1.6 | Subject to the amendment in 1.1 above, the Minutes of 11 Jan 2024 were approved. |  |
| 2 |  | **APC Update & Other Matters** |  |
|  | 2.1 | Battery Storage System: Following the failed appeal to the Secretary of State for the Solar Panel field, it hopefully augers well for a similar outcome for the Battery Storage proposal. APC will review this once a decision is made. |  |
|  | 2.2 | Litter picking equipment: Carl persuaded APC to approve the reasonable provision of bags and pickers. We need to give them a date for the next session and what we require them to provide. | Paul |
|  | 2.3 | Speeding – re the possibility of having 30 mph signs painted on the road: It’s a Highways Matter, not local Council. Councillors Caroline Clapper or Lawrence Brass may be able to apply pressure. If Letchmore Heath’s application to become a 20mph zone is approved, then that may assist us doing the same if that is something the residents support. |  |
|  | 2.4 | Fencing around the green outside the Three Cs.: APC will consider it within their Budget for 2024/25 as to when this will start however it has been agreed that this needs to be resolved.  |  |
|  | 2.5 | The Ridings green area and playground: Still a stalemate between the Ridings residents, APC and the owner of the common area, Jamie Rishover (JR). Hertsmere Planning Department served an Enforcement notice on JR and/or Heronslea to restore playground area, but as per the Resident’s TP1 agreements, ~~leased~~ the expense would likely fall on the Riding’s residents. |  |
|  | 2.6 | Proposed New Allotments/Building Development: New local plan produced. Inaccuracies have been pointed out by Carl to APC and the Borough Council, in particular with regards to the property at Farthing Cottage which was never put up by the owners and was included by mistake of the people drafting the plan at the County Council, but proposals very much in the air as this is a draft plan. Post Meeting Note: APC confirmed that the plan has been amended to show the correct picture which is limited to APC Land. Also discussion about other land on the draft plan, possibly put forward by the private owner, which is opposite the entrance to Delrow House.On the 30th April , APC will have a full council meeting where local plan is being discussed. The local plan is simply a statement of intent identifying potential areas where development could be made. There is a public meeting by APC at The Radlett Centre on 30 April. Malcolm to notify residents on the Residents’ Whats App group and the main WhatsApp group that if they want to comment on the Plan, and should do so by E Mailing APC before 30th April 2024 on adminos@aldenham-pc.gov.uk and also to the Council on local.plan@hertsmere.gov.uk – The consultation ends on the 29th May 2024 | Malcolm/Carl |
|  | 2.7 | Committee Member RH: Carl reported that having spoken to RH, his work commitments greatly limited his free time, and with regret he is having to stand down from the committee. Michelle to be asked if she has a preferred alternative or could canvass for a replacement on the Patchetts WhatsApp group. Our Constitution permits up to 12 committee members.**Post Meeting Note:** Marina Doyle requested to join the Committee and her appointment was unanimously approved by the Committe | Michelle |
| 3 |  | **State of Roads/Inconsiderate Parking.** |  |
|  | 3.1 | David met with Lawrence Brass regarding inconsiderate parking and abandoned vehicles along Hilfield Lane and has been actively pursuing him and the local police them to achieve results. There is nothing that can be done against cars that are taxed and MOT’d and are parked on the road/pavement allowing pedestrians to pass. However, despite there being some confusion by both police and counsellors, David through his persistence was able to remind them that parking in a manner that obstructs the footpath for pedestrians is an actual offence. Our Neighbourhood Watch police team have promised to keep an eye out for such parking as they do their rounds. If anyone sees a car obstructing the footpath, photo it and send the photo to our Neighbourhood policeman, Michael Morris, Michael.morris@herts.police.uk  |  |
| 4 |  | **Flooding on Roads** |  |
|  | 4.1 | David’s efforts with Caroline Clapper have resulted in an Order issued for work to start (possibly) in Primrose Lane to resolve the flooding problem. Lawrence Brass was contacted by Bonnie and will be chased again. Bonnie to advise Malcolm when she is contacting him so he can formally chase up under the PGRA banner.  | Bonnie/Malcolm |
| 5 |  | **Engaging the Local Community:**  |  |
|  | 5.1 | We will use the Patchetts WhatsApp group, our website and the Notice Board on the green outside The Three Compasses. |  |
|  | 5.2 | Michelle to please forward PGRA messages on the Whats App group to The Ridings Whats App group to keep those not on both groups informed. Bonnie to check with Michelle if Anvil Mews was leafletted. | Bonnie |
| 6 |  | **Defibrillator** |  |
|  | 6.1 | Just to confirm that this is now operative and located on the side wall at the back to the left of the main entrance to The Three Compasses. The code to access the unit is C159X. It is suggested people watch one of the You Tube training videos as to how to use now, rather than wait until such time as they may need to use it. The unit will provide audible instructions at the time of use. The cost of the unit was covered by APC and by funding from 3 local Borough Conservative Councillors including Brett Rosehill, Caroline Clapper and David Lambert |  |
| 7 |  | **Any Other Business** |  |
|  | 7.1 | All sent their best wishes to David for a swift and full recovery and look forward to seeing him fighting fit at our next meeting |  |
|  | 7.2 | Date of next meeting tentatively set for 25 July at Rose Cottage, Hilfield Lane at 18:30, subject to hearing from those not able to attend today if that is convenient. Hopefully a 6:30pm start will be more convenient for working members of the Group. Notice and reminder of the meeting and a request for agenda items to be sent out to all residents via the methods mentioned above. |   Carl/Malcolm |